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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Please do not revert back to the old days where there was no competition for communications companies. I once had AT&T DSL for years, because there was no competition. They yanked me around all the time with rate increases, expensive equipment charges, and low quality service. Then I switched to an independent DSL provider (Sonic) at a much lower price, faster service, and better customer support. It was only after this switch did AT&T come back begging for my business at a competitive rate (Sonic was 3x cheaper than the AT&T DSL service). Then Sonic came around and offered Gigabit fiber service at almost the same price as my DSL. Only at that point did AT&T even become interested in improving their connection speed. If you take away access to competition, I'm certain that my rates will go up by 2-3X, speeds will go down, and I be stuck with horrible AT&T or Comcast customer service.

Again, I ask that you keep existing rules in place.

Thanks.

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